

NOTABLE NEWS

Week Ending in August 13, 2026

The Notable News was established in 2022 as an informal report compiled for the City Manager, efficiently summarizing key updates and accomplishments from various departments to be shared with City Council and City staff. It is not intended to serve as a comprehensive record of all staff activities or achievements and may contain typographical or formatting errors.

Administrative Services Department:

- Animal Services
 - Call Log 08/05/26-08/11/26
 - Barking Dog Complaints-0
 - Welfare Check/Dog in Vehicle-4
 - DOA-18
 - Live Stray Pickup-9
 - Bite Quarantine Release-1
- Finance
 - On Monday, a total of 182 delinquent utility accounts were sent to lien with the County, with assessments placed on the property tax roll; the total dollar amounts by account type are as follows:
 - Single-Family = \$210,806.76
 - Commercial = \$20,619.70
 - Multi-Family = \$7,407.02
 - Total = \$238,833.48
- Human Resources
 - Empower representative met with city staff to discuss 457 Plan retirement savings and financial goals.
 - HR held 2 recruitment planning meetings.
 - Wellness Committee met this week.
 - HR Staff held interviews for Animal Services Officer.
 - HR Staff opened 2 recruitments this week:
 - Lead Utility Worker - Sewer (Promotional)

- Assistant Planner

- IT

- Resolved Police Department Records Management System (RMS) login issues, and added multiple new violation codes.
- Reconfigured Zebra ticket printers for the Police Department.
- Resolved GIS application login issues for Public Works.
- Installed new licenses for the City's security and compliance auditing software.
- Efforts are underway to obtain compensation from our internet service provider for a 10-hour internet outage.
- Resolved an issue preventing an external contact from receiving emails from the Police Department.
- Retrieved electronic communication records to fulfill public records requests for the City Clerk's Office.
- Efforts are underway to relocate Public Works fiber end panels to a new location.

- Library

- The Upland Public Library successfully hosted its second Adult Happy Hour program, Beer Science & Trivia Night. The event attracted 50 participants and featured a guided beer tasting experience and team trivia competition. Prizes were generously provided by the Friends of the Upland Public Library, contributing to a fun and engaging evening for adult community members.
- In partnership with the Public Works Department, the Library recently completed improvements to its main entry area. The project included the removal of an unused counter, enhancing accessibility, improving sightlines, and creating a more open and welcoming environment for visitors. These enhancements support a better overall customer experience and improve access to Library services.
- The Library partnered with Sylvan Learning to present Robotics Day, a STEM-focused program for children ages 6 to 12. Through hands-on activities, participants explored robotics and engineering concepts in an engaging learning environment. The event included three sessions with a total of 45 participants.

- On Friday, August 14th at 4:00 p.m., the Library will host a special Back-to-School Movie Night. Community members are invited to celebrate the end of summer with a family-friendly movie screening in the Children's Reading Room.
- The Library's Storytellers Writers' Club will launch on August 19 at 5:30 p.m. The program provides local writers with an opportunity to share their work, receive constructive feedback, and connect with fellow writers in a supportive community setting.

Development Services Department:

- During the period of time from August 6th thru August 12th, the Building & Safety Division completed 117 building inspections, issued 26 building permits, plan checked 13 sets of construction plans, and processed 8 public records requests consuming 3 hours of staff time.
- Planning Division staff reviewed 12 new zoning clearances for new businesses in the City this week, including Habibi Kabob, a Persian restaurant at 733 N. Mountain Avenue.
- Planning Division staff conducted comprehensive and in-depth property research to coordinate and fulfill 6 public records requests which consumed 4 hours of staff time.
- On August 12, 2026, the Technical Review Committee met to review and provide comments on the following projects, currently under review:
 - An Administrative Use Permit to establish an auto accessory and equipment installation use, including the retail sale of automotive parts, located at 779 N. Benson Avenue, Suite E.
 - An Administrative Use Permit to convert an existing drive-through dairy into a neighborhood market/convenience store with ancillary prepared food sales, including a covered courtyard with seating, complete façade change, new parking lot, landscaping improvements, and an on-site food truck, food trailer, and coffee cart operations, located at 1385 W. Foothill Blvd.
 - A Preliminary Review of a proposal to develop a 4,800-square-foot, four-suite office building on a 0.32-acre parcel, with associated parking, lighting, landscaping, and other site improvements, located at 137 E. 7th Street.

- Development Services Director, Housing Manager, UPD and BBK met with the attorney representing El Dorado Mobile home Park regarding implementation of the Mobile Home Ordinance.
- Development Services Director, Housing Manager and BBK met to discuss a landlord-tenant dispute currently in mediation at the city-owned Village Apartments on 8th Street and Armstrong Way.
- Development Services Director and Economic Development Staff held a quarterly meeting with the Chamber of Commerce to summarize development highlights and hear about Chamber of Commerce events.
- Development Services Director and Economic Development staff attended the Historic Downtown Upland Board meeting to discuss HDU's 2nd on Second event and activities.
- Economic Development staff attended the Sales Tax Update by HdL Companies for the 1st Quarter 2026.
- Economic Development staff coordinated for a reimbursement request from Historic Downtown Upland for Parking and Business Improvement Area funds for the 2nd Quarter 2026.
- Economic Development staff coordinated with Public Works staff for the swapping-out of the flags on the two telecommunication facilities located at Magnolia Park. The USA flag is now located 5 feet higher than the State flag.
- Land Development and Transportation is processing an Edison invoice for the Regional Utility to Support Housing (RUSH) grant project.
- Land Development and Transportation received the first reimbursement check for the Highway Safety Improvement Grant project which is funding the upgrades on the backing plates and signal heads for 54 intersections in the City.
- Land Development and Transportation met with the project engineer for Black Rock Coffee at Alta Avenue and Foothill Boulevard regarding grading plan comments.
- Land Development and Transportation is processing as-built plans for Tract 20647 which is the Towns on First project.
- Econolite completed traffic signal head and vehicle signal head upgrades at San Antonio Avenue and 11th Street in time before the new school year begins.
- 2026 Weed Abatement Inspection Program Completed: Staff has concluded the 2026 citywide inspection cycle after inspecting more than 22,000 properties for overgrown vegetation, combustible debris, and other potential fire hazards.

Property owners were provided opportunities to voluntarily correct identified violations, resulting in a significant level of compliance and reducing public nuisances throughout the community.

Fire Department:

- 8/15/26 STA 161 Back to School Backpack Giveaway

Police Department:

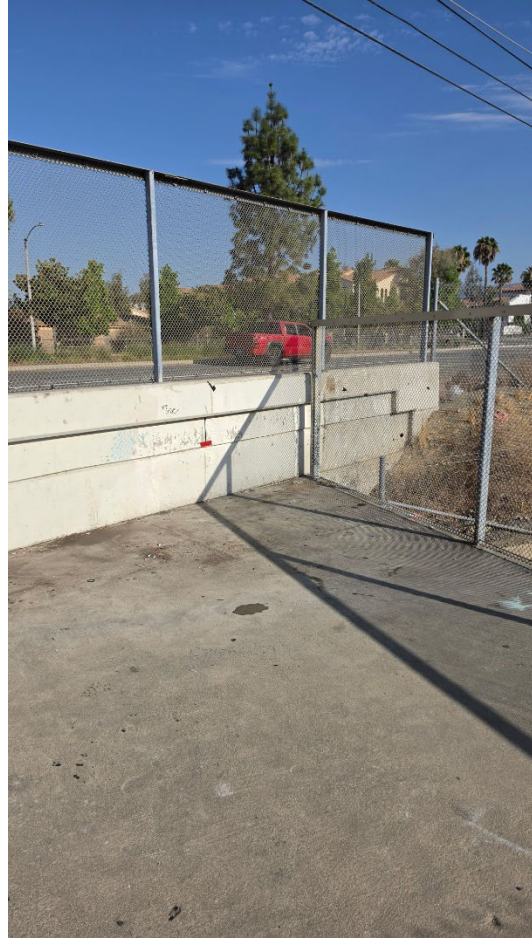
- Over the course of the last week, Upland PD Dispatch has received 605 9-1-1 calls and 1,528 non-emergency phone calls.
- The following feedback was received from community members who completed a survey after contacting the Upland Police Department for assistance. These comments reflect their experiences with the service they received:
 - **The call taker was helpful, attentive and asked great questions.**
 - **The officers were quick to respond and address the concerns.**
 - **Both officers were thorough and attentive to my concerns, I felt safer once they assessed there wasn't any problem**
 - **She was very helpful and stayed on the line with me until I made contact with the pd.**
 - **I love UPD and am so happy we have you!**
- Over the past week, Impact Officers have made several arrests related to drug violations, trespassing, and outstanding warrants. Impact Officers also performed several proactive debris cleanups across the City. Although the jurisdiction of the California Highway Patrol and Caltrans, Impact Officers and our Homeless Outreach Team contacted several subjects along the 10-freeway corridor to officer assistance and remove debris. CalTrans conducted a major clean-up on August 12th, including graffiti abatement.
- Our Homeless Services Team worked diligently with several county and outreach organizations to secure permanent supportive housing for a woman experiencing homelessness. Substance abuse is not a factor in this case. This week, our team learned that a highly sought-after housing opportunity, with limited availability among several cities, had been secured for her. The placement would provide her with a safe apartment of her own at no cost to her. Despite these efforts, she has

declined the housing opportunity and has chosen to remain unhoused at this time. Our Homeless Services Team, in partnership with our Behavioral Health Team, will continue to engage with her, offer assistance, and evaluate her needs in hopes that she will ultimately accept services and take steps toward stable housing.

- Over the past week, the Quality-of-Life Team proactively located and collected 10 abandoned shopping carts during daily patrols. The businesses the carts belonged to were contacted regarding the violation(s).
- Over the past week, Code Enforcement opened 5 cases and closed 37 existing cases.
- On August 7, the Traffic Unit conducted a traffic enforcement operation throughout the entire city, looking for violations that are associated with causing collisions. During that time frame Traffic officers stopped 44 vehicles and issued 40 citations to drivers. This operation was funded by the Office of Traffic Safety Selective Traffic Enforcement Program grant.
- On August 7, officers were dispatched to the area of Mountain Avenue and 7th Street in regards to the reporting party believing she saw someone riding her stolen E-Bike. Officers arrived and located the suspect. Officers were able to confirm the suspect did in fact possess the victim's stolen E-Bike. The e-bike was returned to the victim, and the suspect was booked at the West Valley Detention Center for possession of stolen property and drug related charges.
- On August 10, officers were dispatched to a residence where a 90-year-old female (suffering from dementia) was out of control and throwing items. After calming the female down, the officers arranged transportation of the female to a local hospital for medical attention and a 72-hour hold.
- On August 10, officers responded to the 100 block of S. Euclid Avenue to investigate a female possibly under the influence of drugs. The female was contacted and after an evaluation the female was arrested for being under the influence of a controlled substance.
- On August 10, officers responded to a convenience store in the 400 block of S. Mountain Avenue to investigate a subject causing a disturbance. Officers contacted the subject and she was found to have several warrants. After conducting an evaluation, the subject was arrested for being under the influence of a controlled substance.
- On August 10, the Upland Police Department received a call about a possible drunk driver who was seen driving near gas station in the 100 block of W. Foothill

Boulevard. Officers contacted the female driver who was found to be extremely intoxicated. The female was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol.

- On August 11, officers responded to the 1200 block of E. Foothill Boulevard to investigate a subject hiding near a business. After the subject was detained, he provided the officers with a false name. After discovering his real name, officers learned the male was on parole for criminal threats. He also had an active no bail warrant for a parole violation. The male was arrested for the parole violation and for giving officers a false name.
- On August 11, an officer located a stolen vehicle in the southwestern region of the city. Due to the officer's investigation, it is believed this was part of a larger scheme involving numerous stolen vehicles.
- On August 11, officers identified two suspects who committed a burglary at an Upland motel. The officers stopped and arrested one of the suspects as he attempted to leave in his vehicle.
- On August 12, officers were dispatched to an apartment complex in the 1700 block of W. Arrow Route reference a stabbing. Officers arrived quickly and apprehended the suspect as he attempted to leave. The victim was treated for a deep laceration, and the suspect was arrested for assault with a deadly weapon.
- On August 13, officers were dispatched to the area of Foothill Blvd and Mountain Avenue after a transient repeatedly punched an elderly male in the face and ribs. The suspect ran away as officers arrived on scene, but he was taken into custody shortly thereafter and booked at the West Valley Detention Center.





Public Works Department:

○ PW Engineering – Capital

- 18th Street Rehabilitation (Mountain Avenue to Euclid Avenue) Staff completed the RFP for engineering surveying and design services and published on PlanetBids. Proposals are due 9/1/2026 @ 2:00 pm.
- Downtown Public Parking Lot Improvement (SWC of Arrow Highway & 3rd Ave.) Project bid opening was held on 7/28/26 via PlanetBids. City staff are currently evaluating the bids received and verifying the bonds. Project is scheduled for City Council consideration to award a construction contract on 9/14/26.
- Foothill Blvd. Rehabilitation (Benson Ave. to Redding Way) The new 12" diameter water main segment between San Antonio and Redding Way is installed. Overnight on 8/11/26 the contractor tied over a 10" fire service and 6" domestic service in the vicinity of Upland High School. Overnight on

8/13/26 the contractor is scheduled to tie over the new 12" main to the existing 8" main at Redding Way. Median Island construction between San Antonio Avenue & Euclid Avenue is under construction. Engineering staff is working with the contractor to complete as much of the work as possible in front of Upland High School prior to school beginning on 8/24/26.

- Measure I 5-Year CIP & CPNA: On 8/10/26 the City Council approved the annual Measure "I" 5-Year CIP and CPNA to ensure the City receives continued funding from the Measure I Program administered by SBCTA.
- Mountain Avenue Rehabilitation (20th to 23rd) Staff received the fully-executed Professional Services Agreement (PSA) on 7/15/26 and has issued Notice to Proceed (NTP) for field survey work. Surveyor is actively performing the field survey data collection.
- Tom Thomas Magnolia Plaza: The contractor formed and poured the radius wall on 8/12/26. Engineering requested concrete cylinder break test for the cheek walls. Engineering staff is reviewing change order request documentation for steel fabrication and entry sign letters.
- **PW Operations**
 - Our Ops team have been busy removing down limbs and picking up illegally dumped items throughout the city.











- **PW Utilities**

- Average daily water produced for the week: 20.845 Million Gallons per Day

- San Antonio Water Treatment Plant: (Offline for Rehabilitation Project)
- Import surface water purchased from WFA : 3.970 Million Gallons per Day
- Ground water sources: 16.875 Million Gallons per Day
- The City of Upland Water Treatment team continues to make progress on the Water Treatment Plant Rehabilitation Project, working to improve and upgrade the facility to support reliable and efficient water treatment operations.



- The Inland Empire Utilities Agency (IEUA) was recently recognized by the California Association of Sanitation Agencies (CASA) with the 2026 Organizational Excellence Award for its **Mutual Aid Program**, of which the City of Upland Sewer Division is a participating member. The program brings together local water and wastewater agencies to share personnel, equipment, and resources during sewer emergencies, spills, pump station failures, and other critical operational situations.

The Mutual Aid Program currently includes ten partner agencies: Inland Empire Utilities Agency, City of Chino, City of Chino Hills, City of Fontana, City of Montclair, City of Ontario, City of Pomona, City of Upland, Cucamonga Valley Water District, and Jurupa Community Services District. The program demonstrates the importance of regional cooperation and has provided valuable assistance during actual emergency responses. The partnership also conducts training and spill-response exercises to help participating agencies remain prepared and compliant with state wastewater regulations. The City of Upland is proud to be a participating member of this regional partnership and congratulates IEUA and all of the participating member agencies on this well-deserved recognition.



- **Recreation and Community Services**

- There are 4 park reservations for the weekend.
- There are 43 participants registered for the Turkey Trot 5K and Kids 1K Dash
- The Recreation marketing team has begun filming and editing promo videos and graphics for the Scary-a-faire and Turkey Trot.
- 7 facility rentals scheduled for use this week.
- Last Thursday, we hosted the 8th and final Moonlight & Music at Magnolia Park concert of the season, and what a night it was! ABBA LA had everyone singing, dancing, and enjoying an unforgettable evening filled with live music, great food, and plenty of summer fun. A huge thank you to everyone who joined us throughout the summer and helped make Moonlight & Music At Magnolia Park such a success. We're so grateful for our amazing community, talented performers, food vendors, partners, and everyone who came out to enjoy the music with us. Thank you for making this summer one to remember! And don't worry—we're already looking ahead! Our staff is on the ball and already making plans for the 2027 summer season. See you Thursday, June 24, 2027!



- Bark'n Bingo At The Park is just around the corner! Grab your well-behaved & leashed pup up, picnic blanket and/or law chair and join us for a tail-wagging good time at Bark'n Bingo At The Park! This isn't your average bingo game-it's designed for dog lovers and their furry best friends. Each registered guest will receive a bingo card to play along for four rounds, refreshing beverage, and a delicious "bark-uterie" board for both pup and owner. Each game will award fun prizes ranging from gift cards, pet accessories, tasty treats, and more-something for both you and your four-legged friend! Whether you're playing to win or just out for a paw-some time, Bark'n Bingo At The Park is guaranteed to be a barking good time for all!



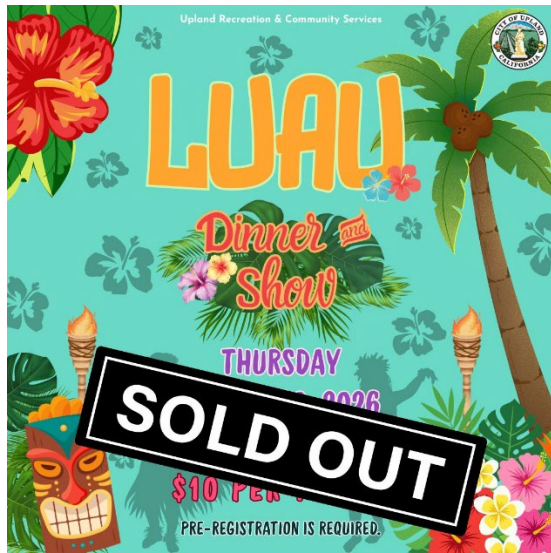
○ Bingo Bash

Join us for an afternoon of fun! The Gibson Senior Center will be hosting a Bingo Bash, Saturday, August 15, 2026, from 1:00 p.m.- 4:30 p.m. There will be snacks available for purchase, or you can bring your own. For more information, please call (909) 981-4501.



○ Luau Dinner & Dance

We are excited to announce that the Annual Gibson Luau Dinner & Dance is SOLD OUT!! Staff have been working hard planning & preparing so many wonderful things for this event which will host over 70-seniors! There will be a delicious Hawaiian themed meal, music, prizes, and performance!



○ **Rummage Sale**

Downsizing? Organizing? Cleaning out your closet? Be a vendor at our upcoming Rummage Sale and let that stuff go! One person's junk is another person's treasure! This event will be held indoors at the Gibson Senior Center. For more information, please call (909) 981-4501.



City Manager's Office:

- Public information outreach this past week included social media postings for City Council Meeting, July Public Works Round Up, Library Board Meeting, and Friends of Upland Animal Shelter Foster Program.

- The City Clerk's office received 23 public records requests this week and closed 21 requests